

## LOCAL NEWS.

CHARLES SCHROEDER, of Burton, was tried in the county court Tuesday on a charge of lunacy and adjudged insane.

Mr. Brown, editor of the Austin Statesman, called on the BANNER Tuesday. He was en route to Galveston to attend a wedding.

The Chicago Convention and Concert company are to be here in a few days for the purpose of organizing a five days musical convention.

DEALERS in manufactured tobacco should bear in mind that the repeal of the \$2.40 special tax imposed on them takes effect May 1st, 1891.

The new \$15,000 school house just completed at Cameron, and in which some of the furnishings had been placed Monday, was burned Monday night.

One of the young men who attended the fest at Berlin returned with a black eye, said to have been made by a blow from a stick in the hands of a young lady.

In the county jail there are six prisoners, three of whom are insane, two colored women, and one white man. Of the other three there are two colored, and one white.

The dance Tuesday night at Eldridge Hall in honor of Miss Carrie Meyers, of Seguin, was well attended and heartily enjoyed by devotees of the Terpsichorean art.

TOM JEFFERSON, the well known ice cream vendor had the misfortune Tuesday to have his horse run away, spill all his cream, break his wagon and tear up his harness.

The hunting party that went down to Eagle Lake fishing last week have returned, and report that the party caught an abundance of fish and had a magnificent time.

The spring overflows of the Brazos are enough to make life a burden to the Brazos bottom farmer, but when the overflows come early enough to plant over they have much to be thankful for.

The Methodist, Baptist and Lutheran Sunday-schools will join in the annual May Sunday-school picnic Saturday, the pasture of Mr. N. E. Dever, two miles from the city having been selected as the place for it.

Quite a number of passengers were detained here Tuesday on account of the H. & T. C. not running any further than Chappell Hill. They were bound east, but had to go out of their way on the south bound Santa Fe.

In the Mayor's court Tuesday morning there were two cases: Will Danlap on a charge of disturbing the peace was fined \$7.95 including cost, and Pete Bradford, who was arraigned on a charge of assault and fighting was discharged.

The crops around Brenham are looking well, and the farmers seem to be pretty well up with their work. There is no complaint heard about poor stands of either cotton or corn and with the present favorable weather everything will grow off briskly.

FARMERS of the Brazos bottoms say that an overflow leaves a sediment on the land that highly fertilizes it and that they can well afford to lose one crop in ten for the increase in productiveness that an overflow gives them succeeding years.

The Secretary of the Truck Growers Association informs the BANNER that he has received orders for 400 car loads of melons already, all of which shows that there is no difficulty about finding a ready market for all the melons that can be grown in this section, where they attain a perfection that can not be excelled.

The next meeting of the Truck Growers Association will be held Saturday, which will be the last meeting at which new members can join this season. It is also the meeting at which all the members are requested to report the acreage in melons so that an estimate can be given the railway companies as to how many cars will be needed.

This city presented quite a business appearance early Monday morning, the streets being crowded with farm wagons that had come in to get cotton choppers. They secured as many as they needed and by eight o'clock were on their way back to the adjacent fields loaded with able bodied living and incomparable cotton cultivators.

MR. BEN RICHARDS and Miss Maud Porter were married in Austin Sunday afternoon, the happy couple reaching here on the 3 o'clock train Monday. Mr. Richards is a clerk in the dry goods store of Mr. M. Cohn and has many friends here who will join the BANNER in extending congratulations and wishing for the happy couple a full measure of earth's happiness.

## MAI-FEST.

Meeting of Maifest Committee. What Has Been, and is to be Done.

A meeting of the Maifest committee was held at the Hook and Ladder hall at 4 p. m., Tuesday afternoon, Judge L. Kirk, chairman, Capt. J. M. Byrnes, secretary. Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

The music committee were instructed to confer with the two bands and report at the next meeting.

Messrs. E. P. Curry and I. P. Simmons were added to the tournament committee and \$60 appropriated for the tournament.

The committee on water and light reported everything ready.

Patgo shooting was adopted as a feature of the Maifest and I. N. Bettison and J. M. Byrnes appointed a committee to take charge of it.

Printing committee reported all ready as soon as furnished with copy for programme, and the committee on programme were requested to furnish it at once.

Stand committee reported that they would advertise and sell stands and advertising space on new fence.

On decoration committee Messrs. T. A. Low, J. H. Ledlie and I. N. Bettison were added.

Fifty dollars was appropriated for the children's games, and Messdames F. W. Schuerenberg, Albert Werner, R. A. Schuerenberg, Frank Doherty and Miss Lizzie Dwyer were appointed on the committee of games for children.

A resolution was adopted to the effect that all firemen and members of the military companies be passed in free in uniform, otherwise they will be required to pay at the gate.

A resolution thanking the Bastrop and Bellville fire departments for invitations to attend firemen's fest on the 14th and 15th of May was adopted.

It was moved and adopted that the procession be on the second as well as the first day of the fest.

The secretary was instructed to confer with the O. O. O. society and invite them to participate in the procession.

### A Bold Burglary.

Some burglars effected an entrance in the store of Mr. B. Eldridge Saturday night, by removing the transom over the side door. They had a light vehicle of some kind at the back door, which they opened and proceeded to haul off a supply of provisions, taking bacon, meal and flour, six or eight bottles of fine whiskey and tobacco that was missed. There is no telling how much was taken from the store as it is impossible to tell what such bold and deliberate burglars would pile upon a wagon carried there for the occasion.

It was only a month ago that the same store was entered but the burglars were interrupted by the appearance of Mr. Dan Williams, one of the clerks who returned to the store soon after supper.

A GENTLEMAN who keeps posted on the finances of the country, talking to a farmer about the cotton that was being held causing a depression in finances, expressed the opinion that there was no hope of an increase in prices and gave as his reason the conclusion reached from the logical deduction of the facts that for the past ten years, with one exception, the crop had increased every year, until now the available supply of the world is some twelve million bales, while the demand is but little over nine millions bales. He reasoned that if this turned out to be a poor crop year, the increased acreage would make a further increase in the general supply and with present excess over the demand there seems to be no logical reason why there should be an increase in the price. If it should turn out to be a good crop year which would run the crop of this country up to eight or nine million bales, a still further reduction in price might be looked for.

### The Encampment Ground.

Bids for the permanent encampment grounds of the State militia will be received until the 10th of May. All that is required from whatever city secures the encampment grounds is 80 acres of land, and there is no question but that it would be a good investment for any city. Brenham has had an intimation that she could get this plum by donating the grounds, which she can well afford to do. The amount expended annually at these encampments is variously estimated at from \$40,000 to \$100,000. Brenham is the most centrally located city in the circle of the state militia, is easy of access, having a railroad from four points of the compass, has two of the crack military companies of the state, takes considerable interest in military affairs and withal is the most suitable place in the state for the encampment. Suitable grounds can easily be secured near the city and our people should not let the opportunity pass without making a heroic effort to secure the permanent encampment grounds.

## THE WHEAT TRAIN.

About 2:15 Tuesday afternoon a gayly decorated train came in over the Santa Fe. Flags, banners, streamers, mottoes, etc., were conspicuously fastened from every vantage place for show, and it showed up elegantly, but not for Texas. The train was one of eighteen cars, seventeen of which were loaded with wheat from Sumner county Kansas, and consigned to the Texas Star Flour Mills, of Galveston, and was decorated for inspection along the route traveling only in the day time.

The shipment included all the wheat that could be gathered up in Sumner county, being 29 car loads, but was not all in this train, being the largest shipment of wheat ever made to Galveston.

As was stated in the outset, this train showed up better for Kansas than for Texas for the reason that Texas has as fine wheat growing sections as are in the world and ought at least to make enough for home consumption.

The BANNER is proud that Texas has a large flour mill that can utilize train loads of wheat, but it would enthruse a great deal more over a train load from wheat growing sections of Texas than one coming in from Kansas.

The rear car of this train contained a thousand dollar pair of horses.

BRENNHAM has her tow line out for quite a number of enterprises, among which might be mentioned as those most probably in the near future, an electric light plant, to be owned and operated by the city, a cotton factory, a fertilizer factory, a soap factory, and last but not least the permanent encampment for the State Militia.

ALL trains between Hempstead and Chappell Hill have been suspended on account of the high water which is said to have reached the high water mark of last year. The trains have had great trouble transferring passengers in boats, some engines having their fires put out and getting grounded in the water, hence the necessity of abandoning further efforts in this direction until the water subsides. Trains will be run on the regular schedule time as far as Chappell Hill until the water subsides.

The fest at Berlin Sunday was well attended, quite a number from the city going out. During the afternoon the female portion of the attendance passed the time singing Sunday school songs, while the male attendants were about equally divided in patronizing the shooting gallery, playing cards and quaffing the "cup that cheers." The Field Artillery band were out and discoursed some excellent music, to which later in the afternoon and far into the night the young folks danced.

### More Burglars.

Thieves visited the residence of Mrs. Mattie Wilson, in the southern part of the city Tuesday night, and after raiding her pantry and taking a quantity of groceries and some crockery ware, repaired to her fowl house and appropriated an even dozen hens.

Quite a number of citizens are keeping loaded shotguns awaiting an opportunity to give these nocturnal visitors a reception that they will not only remember, but which will be a lesson to others of the same guild. It is self evident that they need a lesson, for their thieving operations are getting to be of an alarming frequency, and anything that has a tendency to deter them will be hailed with delight.

### The Brazos Booming.

The passengers on the H. & T. C. R'y were transferred at the Brazos in boats Monday. Sunday the trains continued to pass through the bottom with the track submerged several feet under water, four engines being necessary to bring it through. Since the recent heavy rains the trains have been delayed there and have been coming in very irregularly, but will not undertake to cross again until the water subsides, transferring the mails and passengers by boats in the meantime. All freight trains have been suspended.

SATURDAY last seven of the hands at the rock quarry quit, and a few have been dropping off from day to day until Tuesday, twelve more quit reducing the force so much that work has had to be suspended until more hands can be secured. The managers have sent to Galveston for Italians and work will probably be resumed Friday.

CAPTAINS J. M. Byrnes and R. A. Heartfield have received and accepted an invitation to attend the Williamson county fair to be held at Taylor May the 6th, and act as judges in the competitive prize drill between the Taylor Rifles and the Rockdale Rifles. They will leave for Taylor next Tuesday.

## AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING.

Of the Board of Trade and Citizens For the Purpose of Securing the Permanent Encampment.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of citizens was held at the Board of Trade rooms Wednesday morning for the purpose of making an effort to secure the location of the permanent encampment grounds of the State militia at Brenham.

The object of the meeting was stated by Capt. J. M. Byrnes, and H. Becker was elected chairman and Mr. Harry Haynes secretary.

Capt. Byrnes gave an estimate of the additional trade that it would bring to Brenham, and was followed by Capt. Harrison, both of whom strongly favored a strong effort being made to secure it.

Mr. Haynes made an enthusiastic speech urging the necessity of an effort to secure the encampment and showing how little the effort would cost compared to the benefit, at the conclusion of which he was heartily cheered.

Mr. H. Muller then introduced the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, that it is the sense of this meeting that the State encampment is a prize worth striving for, and that we use every effort to secure it. That the president appoint a committee of five citizens on finance, and a committee of five on grounds, the first to solicit subscriptions of money for the purchase of the grounds, the second to inquire about suitable grounds, prices, etc., both committees to report at 10 o'clock Friday morning.

The following committee on grounds was appointed: E. Reichardt, A. Harrison, R. A. Heartfield, H. Hodde and C. Brockschmidt.

On the finance committee: W. A. Wood, B. Lehmann, F. Fischer, A. Werner and T. A. Low.

The following committee was selected and by resolution requested to go to Austin on the day on which the sealed bids are to be opened and urge Brenham's claims, its advantages etc., for the establishment of the encampment here: D. C. Giddings, B. Bryan, Harry Haynes, J. M. Byrnes, A. Harrison, H. Hodde, F. Fischer, A. C. H. Schweiss, H. Stone, B. Eldridge, H. Muller, W. W. Searcy, after which the meeting adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock Friday morning.

The sum total of ignorance, vice, indolence and dishonesty, is total depravity.

That farm isn't managed right, where the boys haven't time to go fishing.

The West Texas Press Association met at Colorado on the 21st.

The letting of the contract for the building of the Methodist church occurred on the 18th instant. This makes two churches for Kemp, and the third, Baptist is taking shape.

Barney Morrison "chewed the rag," in the shape of a window pane because he was confined in the Ft. Worth jail and is about to break out, not only of the jail, but out of the world.

At Montague recently R. S. Scott was stabbed nine times by Bill Lord. Though a Lord he didn't seem to have much mercy, or be willing for the other fellow to go Scott free.

Vigilance in watching opportunity, tact and daring in seizing upon opportunity, force and persistence in crowding opportunity to its utmost of possible achievement—these are the material virtues which must command success.

The sheriff of Roberts county was arrested near Richland Sunday and taken to the Corsicana jail for safe-keeping. He was arrested on a charge of embezzlement. There was a reward of \$50 offered for him.

Two French chemists, Messrs. Berthelot and Andre, have investigated the cause of the powerful odor that rises from vegetable mould after a fall of rain. They find the essential principle to be an organic compound of the aromatic family. Its odor is very penetrating, and analogous to that of the camphors; its proportion in mould is only a few millionths, but one three-millionth of a gram is sufficient to produce a sensible smell.

The sentiment in favor of electing United States Senators by the people is growing.

### Protect Your Health.

Cold and moisture combined have a torpor effect upon the bodily organs, and the digestive and secretory processes are apt to be more tardily performed in the winter than in the fall. The same is true, also, of the excretory functions. The bowels are often sluggish, and the pores of the skin throw off but little waste matter at this season. The system, therefore, requires opening up a little, and also purifying and regulating, and the safest, surest and most thorough tonic and alterative that can be used for these purposes is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Persons who wish to escape the rheumatic twinges, the dyspeptic agonies, the painful disturbances of the bowels, the bilious attacks, and the nervous visitations, so common at this time of the year, will do well to reinforce their systems with this renowned vegetable stomachic and invigorant. It improves the appetite, strengthens the stomach, cheers the spirits and renovates the whole physique.

## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Expect to be treated as you have treated others.

There are now nineteen vessels building for the navy.

The Maryland legislature is considering a bill to tax bachelors.

The New York Sherman statue fund now amounts to \$89,000.

The agitation for the half-cent coinage is spreading in the East.

Two hundred and fifty soldiers at Fort Omaha are down with the grip.

We follow the world in approving others; we go far before it in approving ourselves.

Why are birds melancholy in the morning? Because their little bills are all over dew.

The prodigal son draws on his mother until he can leave home and draw on his father.

Mrs. Maybrick pines in prison, where her duties as cook have almost worn her out.

New York City has a new ordinance forbidding the distribution of handbills in the streets.

A contract has been closed to put a larger number of Pullman sleeping cars on Australian lines.

There is a report in Washington that Secretary Noble's resignation is in the hands of the president.

Parnell says Gladstone is useless any longer for an instrument with which to obtain home rule.

The New York Times says: It is intimated that Gould will become a partner in a stock exchange firm.

The Chillian war ship Blanco was sunk by Government torpedo boats in Caldera bay. It is estimated that 200 lives were lost.

Lawrence Barrett put down his name for \$500 for the Sherman monument fund. George M. Pullman subscribed \$1000.

In thirty-five parishes of Louisiana the colored people outnumber the whites, in some cases in the proportions of fifteen to one.

Discontent among the Indians at Pine Ridge is beginning to show again, and the young braves are said to be holding conferences.

A site for a National Home for printers at Colorado Springs has been selected, and its construction will be at once commenced.

Acting Governor Barber of Wyoming has issued a proclamation enjoining the citizens to refrain from selling arms to the Indians.

Secretary Proctor has disapproved the leasing of the Tonawa, Ponca and Pawnee Indian reservations, and the cattlemen will be forced out.

R. B. Alexander was tried on a charge of murdering a hotel runner at Texarkana, Ark. The jury brought in a verdict of not guilty on the 1st.

More than 3000 native born citizens have emigrated from Bucks county, Pa., during the last two years, owing to the difficulty of making a living.

The New York Herald of a recent date chronicles the death of Captain James Lawless, who died suddenly at his residence in Bristol of neuralgia of the heart.

General Gordon, United States senator from Georgia, has joined the Farmers' Alliance. He is the man who refused to shake hands with Jay Gould.

A bill providing that no stockholders in a corporation shall have more than one vote, no matter how many shares he may have, has become a law in Indiana.

The United States government refuses for the present to make gold exchanges. Two New York firms ordered \$1,000,000 for export, but the order was refused.

John M. Macdonald, a cousin of Sir John Macdonald, Canadian premier, and one of the most remarkable characters of the day, died at Fort Smith, Ark. March 31.

Seven prisoners took French leave from the United States jail at Ardmore, I. T., Thursday night. They cut through a window and then dug out under the yard fence.

An iron foundry and tannery are good things to have around handy, but the Independent thinks what Henrietta wants and needs most at the present is a grain elevator.

French politeness has never surpassed that of the criminal who, being placed on the guillotine recently put his head in the half moon and, smiling at the executioner, said: "Cut away, if you please, sir!"

From a forecast based upon probabilities with past experience as a pointer and the surplus supply of cotton in the world, it is believed that prices for the next crop will be even lower than for several years past, while corn and bacon may be much higher. Whether this should be the case or not, there is no doubt that the farmer who raises largely of corn and hogs will be on the safe side of the question.

## BLOOD DISORDERS.

### And Kindred Diseases of Spring Discussed.

Synopsis of a Medical Lecture by Dr. S. B. Hertzman, of Columbus, O.

#### SPRING MEDICINES.

The sudden break from the frigid cold of winter to the depressing heat of summer which has been experienced in the last few days, especially in the Northern States, has brought more than the usual amount of spring sickness. The digestive organs, during cold weather, are taxed to furnish sufficient force to maintain the heat of the body against excessive cold, but on the return of warm weather a great deal less food is needed by the system, which thickens the blood with the superfluous products of digestion. If the change from cold to heat be sudden, as in the present season, the effect on the health of the people is more intense and dangerous. The blood soon becomes overloaded with the heavy poisonous matter, which must be thrown off by the kidneys and skin, else serious blood poisoning will surely follow.

The first effect on the system which the blood contaminations have is to produce sleepiness, "tired-out" feeling, confusion of the senses, coated tongue, irregular appetite, and shortness of the breath. If nothing is done to cleanse the blood it gradually becomes thicker, until eruptions of the skin appear on one or more parts of the body, especially on the face, and between the shoulders and on the legs. The eruptions usually cause much itching and sensations of heat. If there is any old humor in the system, such as salt rheum, erysipelas, scrofula or syphilis, it is sure to break out in unusual severity.

Unless a proper remedy is used at this stage of the trouble symptoms of kidney disease will soon appear. The irritating poisons which find their way out of the blood through the kidneys will soon cause these organs to become inflamed. "Bright's Disease" or some other organic derangement of the kidneys is the result. It sometimes happens that the poisonous condition of the blood will set up rheumatism, gout, or chronic neuralgia. Thus, by simply neglecting to keep the blood cleansed, the foundation is laid for ill health from which thousands of people never recover.

Any one can escape entirely the above-described ill effects of spring weather, and, instead of dragging drearily through weeks of bad feelings, and perhaps acquiring a fatal disease, find themselves in as excellent spirits and health as at any other time of the year. This is the way it can be done: Get three bottles of Pe-ru-na and one of Man-a-lin. Take a tablespoonful of Pe-ru-na before each meal and a small dose of Man-a-lin at bedtime, only enough to produce one natural passage of the bowels each day. This course of treatment is no experiment; it is as positive in its results as any fact of science can be. After you have tried it, you will say Pe-ru-na is positively the best spring medicine you have ever tried. A great many years of extensive trial of these remedies in this class of derangements have demonstrated that there are no failures. The medicines are kept at most drug stores, with full directions for use on each bottle. A pamphlet of thirty-two pages, fully explaining cause, nature and cure of disorders of spring, will be sent free to any address by The Peruna Medicine Company of Columbus, O. This pamphlet should be in every household, as by its intelligent use a multitude of ills to which every family is liable would be entirely avoided.

Farmersville was the scene of a lively scrimmage Saturday evening. Mrs. Will Aston told her husband that she had been assaulted by Bill Smith, whereupon he went out and shot four times at his wife's assailant all of which flew wide of their mark. About an hour after the shooting a lamp exploded in a lively stable full of horses, creating intense excitement many thinking the fight had been renewed.

#### Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Vinson, Cleveland & Lott has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, and J. B. Vinson assumes all liabilities and assets of said firm, and will continue to do a general land business. Austin, Texas, office at 113 West 7th street. G. W. Cleveland and Wm. C. Lott have formed a co-partnership and will do a general land business. Office, 620 Congress avenue. Thanks for past favors—we hope for a continuance of same.

JOHN B. VINSON,  
GEO. W. CLEVELAND,  
WM. C. LOTT.

April 18, 1891.

#### Strayed or Stolen.

From my premises, near Brenham, on the 4th of October, 1890, one blood bay horse, brand G L on thigh, about 14-15 hands high, 6 years old, in good order and had on a halter when he left. \$10 will be paid for his recovery. Address LOUIS KONTZ, Brenham, Texas.